

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO ESTABLISH A SISTER COUNTY
RELATIONSHIP WITH PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND,
FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL,
AND COMMERCIAL EXCHANGES WITH LEON COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board) recognizes and acknowledges the importance of shared community endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Board has the vision and responsibility to work with other local governments that have had success in economic revitalization; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland, shares this vision and desires to pursue a sister county relationship with Leon County; and,

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland, is located approximately 20 miles east of Washington, DC, has a population of 843,000 people, and is a charter form of government encompassing 27 municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that an integral component of economic development is the focus on under-utilized areas in Leon County such as those areas identified in the Southern Strategy; and

WHEREAS, a sister county relationship with Prince George's, Maryland, will promote the educational, cultural, and commercial exchanges with Leon County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE B

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COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, that:

1. The Board hereby establishes a sister county relationship with Prince George's County Maryland for the purpose of exchanging educational, cultural, and commercial assets with Leon County.
2. The District One County Commissioner shall serve as the Board Liaison to Prince George's County for the duration of the sister county relationship.
3. The Board Liaison's goal shall be to identify exchange opportunities that are pertinent to the sister county relationship.
4. The Board Liaison shall be charged with the responsibility of providing the Board an annual report detailing all of his/her findings and recommendations for enhanced educational, cultural, and economic development, as deemed necessary and/or appropriate.
5. The sister county relationship shall be subject to reauthorization by the Board two years after the adoption of this resolution by the Board, and every two years thereafter.
6. The Board shall approve the expenditure of all funds relating to the sister county relationship.
7. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DONE, ADOPTED, AND PASSED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon

County, Florida, this 13th day of June, 2006.



ATTESTED BY:

Bob Inzer, Clerk of the Court

By: Christine Francis
Bob Inzer, Clerk
for Bob Inzer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Attorney's Office

By: [Signature]
Herbert W. A. Thiele, Esq.
County Attorney

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: [Signature] - Vice Chairman
Bill Proctor, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners